## Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions 1-110.

- (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
  - (2) "Department" means the Department of Assessments and Taxation.
- (3) "Governing body" means the board of commissioners, county or municipal council, board of directors, or other governing body of a local entity.
- (4) "Local entity" means a county, municipal corporation, bicounty or multicounty agency, public authority, special taxing district, or other political subdivision or unit of a political subdivision of this State.
- (b) (1) A local entity [may] SHALL designate a citizen of this State who resides in the State, a Maryland corporation, or an officer of the local entity as its resident agent by filing for record with the Department:
- (i) A certification of the person whom the charter of the local entity authorizes to accept service of process for the local entity; or
- (ii) If the charter does not designate a person for service, a certified copy of a resolution of the local entity's governing body that authorizes the designation.
- (2) If a local entity changes its resident agent, the local entity [may] SHALL file for record with the Department:
- (i) A certification of the person whom the charter of the local entity authorizes to accept service of process for the local entity; or
- (ii) If the charter does not designate a person for service, a certified copy of a resolution of the local entity's governing body that authorizes the designation.
- (3) A local entity may change the address for its resident agent by filing for record with the Department a statement of the change signed by the chairman or other principal officer of its governing body.
- (c) (1) A resident agent whose address changes may notify the Department by filing for record with the Department a statement of the change signed by or for the resident agent.
- (2) A resident agent may resign by filing with the Department a statement of resignation.
  - (d) There is no fee for a filing under this section.
- (e) A designation, change of agent, change of address, or resignation is effective as provided in the Corporations and Associations Article for a corporate resident agent.